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FM AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

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SUBJ: MALI-UPPER VOLTA BORDER DISPUTE

REFS: (A) OUAGADOUGOU 0713, (B) BAMAKO 1150 (NOTAL)

1. IN RECENT CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF, MAJOR SOME, MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND SECURITY, APPEARED EQUALLY CONFIDENT THAT BORDER DISPUTE BETWEEN MALI AND UPPER VOLTA WILL BE SETTLED IN NEAR FUTURE.

2. SOME SAID HE IS WAITING FOR TELEGRAM FROM MALI. DEFENSE MINISTER DOUKARA WHICH WILL EXTEND INVITATION FOR HIM TO GO TO BAMAKO FOR FINAL DISCUSSION AND PREPARATION OF MEETING FOR TWO HEADS OF STATE TO SIGN AGREEMENT. HE EXPLAINED THAT THIS PROCEDURE WAS AGREED UPON DURING KOLOKO MEETING.

3. COMMENT: WHAT IS NOT CLEAR IN ALL THIS IS
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WHEN AND BY WHOM DEMARCATION OF BORDER IN CONTESTED

AREA WILL BE CARRIED OUT. IN RECENT CONVERSATION
WITH AMBASSADOR, GENERAL BABY SY, VOLTAN MINISTER
OF DEFENSE, REFERRED VAGUELY TO THE EVENTUAL
CREATION OF A JOINT MALI-UPPER VOLTA DEMARCATION TEAM.
NO MENTION WAS MADE OF OAU MEDIATION COMMISSION.
ACCORDING TO A FRENCH MILITARY SOURCE, THE CONTESTED
AREA IS PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BY VOLTAN TROOPS, THE
MALIAN ARMY HAVING WITHDRAWN WELL BEYOND THE BORDER
CLAIMED BY UPPER VOLTA.
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